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REF: [REDACTED]

IF [REDACTED] WERE EVER TO RESUME OVERFLIGHTS, WHICH APPEARS REMOTE, (1 ADOES HQ INTEND TO USE "B" CONFIG OR RETURN IRIS FOR THIS? 2) IS THERE ANY FIRM INFO ON NEW "B" LENS SYS FOR IMPROVED RESOLUTION THAT CAN BE [REDACTED]? FEEL [REDACTED] SHOULD BE GIVEN THIS INFO SINCE [REDACTED] WILL NO DOUBT QUERY HIM ON QUESTION ONE IF HE DOES NOT BRIEF THEM FIRST, ONCE NEWS IS OUT ON ITEK REMOVAL. ADDITIONALLY, NEWS ON QUESTION TWO, IF GOOD, WOULD AID IN THE BRIEFING. SUGGEST A MESSAGE TO [REDACTED] INDICATING REMOVAL OF ITEK PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT FOR FOLLOWING REASONS:

- ITEK EQUIPMENT NOT USED OPERATIONALLY IN OVER THREE YEARS.
- FUTURE POSSIBILITY VERY REMOTE
- COST OF ITEK OPERATION CONSIDERABLE IN DOLLARS.
- HYCON SHOP NOW HAS "B" WHICH HAS HORIZON TO HORIZON COVERAGE COMPARED TO THE LESSER COVERAGE OF THE IRIS. RESOLUTION OF "B" ALMOST AS GOOD AS IRIS WHICH MAKES IT BEST CONFIG FOR OVERFLIGHT.
- OPERATIONAL EFFECTIVENESS WILL BE IMPROVED AT [REDACTED] I.E., DO

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SAVE JOB OR BETTER WITH LESS PERSONNEL AND EQUIPMENT.

2. WOULD APPRECIATE ABOVE ACTION OR REPLY ASAP. INFO ON REMOVAL OF ITEK SHOP BEING HELD DOWN FOR PENDING YOUR

25X1 REPLY. WITH RELATIONSHIP, FEEL IT BEST IF

OFFICIALLY GETS WORD FROM HQ.

25X1 3. WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE INFO ON RECOMMENDED REDUCTIONS IN TECH REP POSITIONS - BENDIX, COLLINS, AND ARO (PARAS 2 C,D OF REF) PAST EXPERIENCE HAS SHOWN THAT ANNOUNCING ALL TECH REP REDUCTIONS AT ONE TIME LESSENS THE IMPACT ON MORALE THAN IF WE STRING OUT THE ANNOUNCEMENTS.

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